

**City of Greenbelt Maryland  
Memorandum**



**To:** Michael McLaughlin *mpm*  
**Via:** James Sterling, Director of Public Works  
**From:** Richard Fink II, Superintendent of Parks & Grounds  
**Date:** 5/16/2016  
**Re:** PEPCO Vegetation Management Plan - 2016

Pepco, the electric utility which serves the city, has proposed vegetation management work as it is required by the Maryland Public Service Commission. The work will occur on city property primarily along street rights-of-way. City permission is being sought for the work along streets and on city property.

The plans propose tree removal and tree pruning/trimming along four (4) feeder lines serving the community. The feeder lines are #14827, #14828, #14829, and #14832.

Staff consulted with the Advisory Committee on Trees (ACT), which submitted their findings to Council on May 4, 2016. The Report is in agreement with Public Works' recommendation listed below.

PEPCO has identified 41 trees for removal. ACT and Public Works has denied removal of 6 of these trees, which are White Pines along Edmonston Road. The other trees slated for removal include 7 Bradford Pears (Ivy Lane), 11 Maples (Cherrywood Lane), 12 Red Oaks (Breezewood Drive), 1 White Oak (Edmonston Road), 1 Sweetgum (Edmonston Road), 2 Basswoods (Edmonston Road), and 1 Pine (Edmonston Road).

Public Works and ACT will work together to replant trees that are removed. The groups will rely on ACT Report #2015-1 "Recommended Trees for Use Under Power Lines" as well as the upcoming City of Greenbelt Tree Master Plan.

Summary

City Staff and ACT have reviewed Pepco plans #14827, #14828, #14829, and #14832 in great detail and recommend Council approve the work.